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In re application of: **Brown et al.**

§ Group Art Unit: 3629

Serial No.: 09/779,356

§ Examiner: Mooneyham, Janice A.

Filed: February 8, 2001

§ Attorney Docket No.: AUS920000949US1

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Estimated Impact of Proposed  
Legislation****35525**PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE  
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In response to the Office Action dated May 7, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.**

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.